

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
MCALLEN DIVISION

MEXICAN AMERICAN LEGISLATIVE §
CAUCUS, TEXAS HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES

vs. § CIVIL ACTION NO. 7:11-144

STATE OF TEXAS, ET AL §

ORDER FOR CONFERENCE
AND
DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Counsel shall appear for an initial pretrial and scheduling conference before

HONORABLE RANDY CRANE
on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2011 @ 9:30 AM
at U. S. DISTRICT COURT
BENTSEN TOWER, 9th FLOOR
1701 WEST BUS. HWY. 83
MCALLEN, TEXAS 78501

2. Counsel shall file at least 10 days before the conference a Disclosure of Interested Parties listing all persons, associations, firms, partnerships, corporations, affiliates, parent corporations, or other entities that are financially interested in the outcome of this litigation. The form of this Disclosure may be downloaded in Word or WordPerfect format at www.txs.uscourts.gov/judges/rc/forms.htm. If a group can be specified by general description, individual listing is not necessary. Underline the name of each corporation whose securities are publicly traded. If new parties are added or if additional persons or entities that are financially interested in the outcome of the litigation are identified at any time during the pendency of this litigation, then each counsel shall promptly file an amended certificate with the clerk.
3. The parties shall confer as required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f) and, thereafter, shall prepare and file at least 10 days before the conference a Joint Discovery Plan containing the information required on the attached form. (May be downloaded in Word or WordPerfect format at www.txs.uscourts.gov/judges/rc/forms.htm)
4. Counsel who files or removes an action ***is responsible for providing all other parties with a copy of this order and must also serve*** this order with the summons and complaint or with the notice of removal.
5. The court will enter a scheduling order and may rule on any pending motions at the conference.
6. Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) requires defendant(s) to be served within 120 days after the filing of the complaint. The failure of plaintiff(s) to file proof of service within 120 days after the filing of the complaint may result in dismissal of this action by the court *sua sponte*.
7. Attendance by an attorney who has authority to bind the party is required at the conference.
8. A person litigating *pro se* is bound by the requirements imposed upon counsel in this Order.
9. Failure to comply with this order may result in sanctions, including dismissal of the action and assessment of fees and costs.

By Order of the Court